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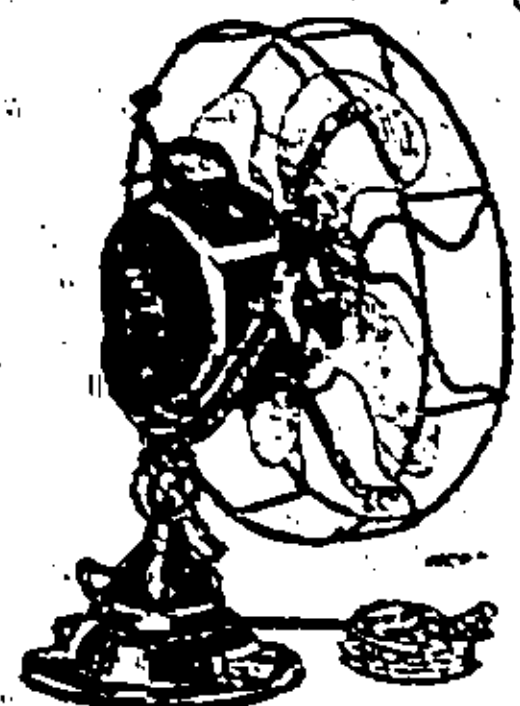
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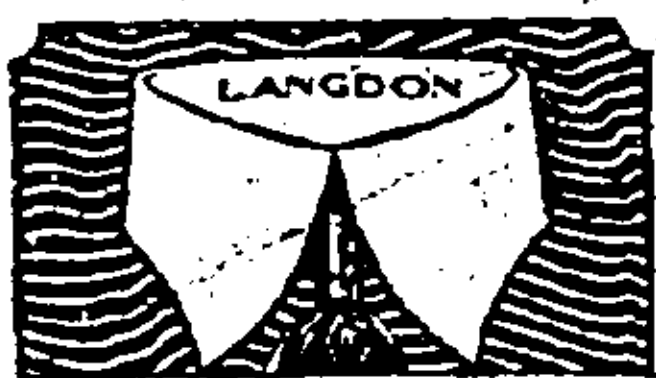
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LATEST IRISH OUTRAGE.

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WILD SCENES IN DUBLIN.

LONDON, May 25.

It is officially stated in Dublin that a large party of Sinn Féiners this afternoon set fire to the Customs House, one of the finest buildings in the country with petrol. The fire brigade was prevented from proceeding to the scene of the fire and Crown forces attempting to reach the building were fired on. A fight followed of which no details have yet been received. Subsequently the fire brigade, protected by Crown forces, proceeded to combat the fire but it is doubtful whether the building can be saved. Another account says that bombs were thrown into the Customs House where there were a number of officials who were fired on. The fate of these is unknown.

MILITARY LORRIES BOMBED.

LATER.

Liberty Hall, the headquarters of the Irish transport workers was also burned down. The Customs House, which cost £1,000,000, was entirely destroyed. There were wild scenes. The officials fled from the building. The military, who arrived in lorries were greeted with bombs to which they replied with machine-guns, rifles, and revolvers.

THE CASUALTIES.

LATER.

Seven Sinn Féiners were killed, eleven wounded, and 65 taken prisoner, and four auxiliaries were wounded in the fight at the Dublin Customs House which was practically destroyed as the result of incendiarism.

A TERRIBLE TOLL.

LONDON, May 25.

In the House of Commons at question time, Sir Hamar Greenwood stated that the casualties of the Crown forces in Ireland from January 1 to April 30 were 109 police killed and 224 wounded, and 48 military killed and 113 wounded. It was impossible to estimate the civilian casualties as the casualties of the rebels were concealed wherever possible.

COAL DEADLOCK.

ANOTHER EFFORT TO FIND A SOLUTION.

GOVERNMENT CALLS CONFERENCE.

LONDON, May 25.

In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Austen Chamberlain announced that as there was still no sign of agreement between the parties in the coal dispute, the Government had decided to make another effort to find a solution and summon a conference of the miners and owners on May 27. (Cheers.)

AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, May 25.

At Hoylake, in the 5th round, Wright (America) beat Ball (England) 4-3, and Darwin beat Hunter (America) 2-1. Only two Americans, Wright and Hunter, remain in the golf championship.

The American-Wright beat the American Fownes 3-2.

NAVAL ARMAMENTS.

AMERICA TO APPROACH BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

WASHINGTON, May 25.

The Senate unanimously adopted an amendment to the Naval Appropriation Bill requesting President Harding to invite Britain and Japan to join the United States in a disarmament conference.

HOME CRICKET.

AUSTRALIANS PLAY OXFORD.

At Oxford in glorious weather, before 2,000 fashionable spectators, Oxford made 180 runs. H. Ward made 50, playing splendidly. Mailey took seven wickets for 128 runs. The Australians scored rapidly and made 217 for eight runs. Macartney made 77, playing brilliantly. Taylor made 49.

NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES.

DUTCH GOVERNMENT RAISES NEW LOAN.

THE HAGUE, May 25.

The Second Chamber has adopted a bill authorising the Government to raise a loan of 250,000,000 florins at 7 per cent for the East Indies.

DAVIS CUP SINGLES.

LONDON, May 25.

In the Davis Cup singles Alonzo beat Lowe 8-6, 6-1, 8-6, and Lycett beat Gomar 6-1, 6-3, 7-9, 6-3.

EGYPTIAN RIOTS.

BRITISH WARSHIPS ON THE MOVE.

ALEXANDRIA, May 25.

The British cruiser "Carybso" has arrived. Other warships are coming.

DERBY & CHATBORING.

LONDON, May 25.

Hill Country has been scratched for the Derby.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/5 5/8
To-day's opening rate 2/5 5/8

COMPANY REPORT.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

The report of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., for presentation to shareholders at the 23rd ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., at noon on Wednesday, June 1, 1921, is as follows:

The net earnings of the boats, paying all working expenses, amounted to \$135,634.83 as against \$122,977.13 the previous year.

The amount at credit of Profit and Loss account, (after paying for repairs, allowing for Directors' and Auditor's fees and placing \$10,000 to credit of Accident Fund) including \$58,715.00 transferred from Share Fluctuation account and \$10,105.99 brought forward, is \$198,997.08, which, with the approval of Shareholders, it is proposed to appropriate as follows:

To pay a Dividend of \$1.40 per share.....\$56,000.00
To pay a Bonus of 60 cts. per share.....24,000.00
To write off Ice House Street Pier.....10,000.00
To write off Boats.....5,000.00
To transfer to Reserve Fund.....100,000.00
To carry forward.....3,997.08
Total.....\$198,997.08

DIRECTORS.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard joined the Board in place of Hon. Mr. John Johnstone resigned.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, Kt. C.M.G., retires but being eligible offers himself for re-election.

AUDITOR.

The accounts have been partly audited by Mr. F. Maitland and partly (in Mr. Maitland's absence) by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A. Mr. Maitland offers himself for re-election.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Queen Mary having been born on May 26, 1897, the warships in harbour were dressed to-day and a salute was fired at noon in honour of her birthday.

The manager of the Canton Provincial Bank proposes that additional capital of \$5,000,000 should be subscribed from the general public. As soon as the proposal is approved by the Governor, shares will be offered for sale in the market.

The Japan Gazette announces the death of an old resident of Yokohama, Mrs. Lydia Abbey, widow of the late Richard Abbey, who passed away at the age of 75. Mrs. Abbey went to Japan some forty-five years ago, and had not been out of the country since.

Likin is a nuisance and a hindrance to trade, says the Canton Times. Besides it affords the likin collector a chance for squeezing the people. Complaints about this form of taxation and the officiousness of likin collectors have reached the Governor who has ordered several special deputies to make a thorough investigation into the reports, with the hope of abolishing corruption.

Unaware that the ordinary looking clay idol supposed to represent the "Goddess of Mercy" at a certain Temple in Kuan Tien Street, contained anything valuable, the door-keeper of the Temple recently sold it to a passing peddler. After taking it home the peddler found a chain of gold beads hidden inside the idol. It is reported that the chain is valued at something more than \$1,000.

More pay, shorter hours, better living quarters and better sanitation are some of the demands presented by the Mechanics Union to the Canton-Hankow Railway, Canton-Samshui Railway and the Electric Supply Company. A petition has been presented by the Union containing a threat that unless these demands are conceded, a general strike will be declared on similar lines to the big labour strikes in Europe and America.

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Every subsequent hour.....20

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MOTORING THROUGH SILESIA.

Lieut.-Colonel Repington writing from Prague, March 31, says:

I have recently visited the occupied territory, old and new, have been to Berlin, thence to Breslau, and have motored many hundreds of miles through Silesia and along the Polish frontier, speaking to many Germans of all classes, from princes and judges to railway servants and old soldiers. The impressions derived from such a rapid tour is no doubt inadequate in many respects, but I have formed a new state of things are usually vivid, and I will make no excuse for setting them down for what they are. For the first time I found scarcely any English in Germany except those engaged in official business, and I met not one in any train from west to east or from north to south except such people. I have been asked how the Germans behave to us. My experience has been that they are distant, but civil, as we are to them. They do not want to talk to us any more than we want to talk to them, except for journalistic purposes, but they display no symptom of discourtesy, and in all matters of official intercourse are usually civil and obliging.

All who knew Germany and the Germans before the war will find the country and the people greatly changed. The country still displays signs of being worn out. The long drought gives a shabby appearance to the land, which still appears short of fertilising manures. In spite of the losses, there is a great want of houses, and all the best hotels are crammed full. The permanent way of the railways is in not too bad a state, and it trains run slowly and stop too often, they run with German punctuality and rarely much behind time. There are a tremendous lot of men employed on the railways. Many old soldiers, as well as others who appear to be old officers, have found billets here. I have counted six or seven men in a train where we should have one guard. The rolling stock is in poor condition, and the carriages are extremely dirty. The food on the trains is quite detestable. On the other hand, while the country generally has the aspect of a ball-room the morning after a dance, and wears a shabby appearance, the great industrial areas, such as the Ruhr, Westphalia, and Upper Silesia, in the mining district, are at least busy, even if the old profits are for the time no more.

THE PEOPLE.

But the people interested me most. Gone are the old jovial, coarse heartiness, all the gold and the glitter and the tinsel of militarism, all the state and pomp, all the old unbearable in-

science, aggressiveness, and bombast.

I thought the whole people very depressed, subdued, and sad. One feels that from the dizzy heights of 1914 they not only fell, but crashed. They seem very alien, very mournful, and private losses have no doubt added to the public sorrows. One rarely sees a smile. Only irrepressible youth, which has scarcely known or understood the war in its larger sense, has any radiance at all. In the upper classes the dejection is beyond words. The German aristocracy has never had any trade but soldiering, and soldiering in the old sense has gone. The bulk of the aristocracy can turn its hand to nothing else. Many have died of broken hearts, and many more have committed suicide. Others have almost become doddering, and a great many former officers and officials are in a state of abject poverty. The war has really proved too much for everybody. It is the exception now for a German to be able to follow out a consecutive chain of thought or to state the points of his argument without branching into some side track by inadvertence. Even a workman will often gain a job the wrong way, and only gradually become aware of the fact. War neurosis has made great ravages in Germany, and the nerves of the older people and of those who fought are still on edge. The disastrous effects of a lost war to a country whose might was its right are visible on every side.

The people are very gradually returning to work, but not with the old zest. Wages have enormously increased, but the price of all materials and of clothing and food is very high. If the miner's wage has gone up 600 per cent and coal sells at 200 marks at the pit's mouth, the price of materials of all kinds is so high that profits are not on the old scale, and often there are no dividends at all even from promising and apparently flourishing concerns. The wage bill on a middle-sized agricultural estate has more than trebled, but everybody works shorter hours and does less work and is more or less discontented besides. A land strike is not at all an improbable contingency.

We suppose, and it is frequently stated, that Germany is less taxed than we are. If one takes the ratio of money as 1 to 10 or 12 and expresses it in English money values this appears true, but this is not a fair comparison, for it is not a question of gold marks, but of paper, and the paper mark buys much more in Germany than would appear from the exchange. Some rich Germans tell me that they have paid 45 per cent for a capital levy, and are also paying 50 per cent income-tax. But where the money goes to they profess not to know except that it goes into the hands of the men now governing Germany.

A RESTORATION?

Is the Reich going to last? Few people think so. We must read such

works as "Betrachtungen einer Unpolitischen" to understand the reason. But all assume that before there is a change the present Government will be left to exhaust such small popularity as remains to it by meeting the Allied demands. The favourite candidates for the throne are the ex-Crown Prince's son, who is being well brought up by his intelligent and popular mother; and, secondly, Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, who is said to have refused to become a candidate for the throne of Bavaria because he would not divide Germany. These are travellers' tales, perhaps, but no one can doubt that the Germans wish for a king; or, at all events, that the mass of the Right parties do, and at other end of the scale there are the Communists, at present engaged in a little sabotage in Central Germany. No change is expected from another Putsch. The Socialists are watching the potential Kapp close, and will act at once if they move. The question of a restoration of the monarchical form of government is not quite independent of affairs in Austria and Hungary. The States surrounding or adjacent to these countries have already taken their precautions.

One has to go to Germany to discover why the Germans are so perfectly incorrigible about expressing any sorrow for having caused the war. The reason is that they honestly—however unreasonably—do not believe they did. A long course of diligent propaganda, from 1914 onwards, implanted this curious superstition in their minds, and I doubt whether anything can now root it out. It is hypocrisy to us, but not to them. They think that England's encircling policy caused the war, and continue to allege that Russia mobilised first. Every new and damning fact disclosed is twisted to fit into this exculpatory thesis and they have told their parrot story so often that they have come to believe it firmly themselves. This fact has much more than fugitive importance, because it causes them to regard the Versailles Treaty as sheer brutality. Their clever but coarse caricaturists represent poor, thin, puny Michel—the German peasant—with his short jacket and wooden shoes and little cap, as a sort of saint—an innocent, harmless, unarmed creature exposed daily to the ragging of the Allied Powers. It is not quite the role of the dress in which Michel appeared to us in 1914.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Underlined have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, Subject to Reserve, on

SATURDAY,

May 28, 1921, at 10.30 a.m., at Royal Army Service Corps Pier.

W.D. Vessel "HERCULES"

Length 85 feet.

Beam 17 " 2 inches.

Depth 10 " 3 "

Displacement Tonnage 170 Tons.

Engine 300 H.P.

Horse Power 350 H.P.

Knots 10. Working Pressure per square inch 150 lbs.

Built at Falmouth.

Materials of Construction Wood to water line Iron Plate.

Approximate Carrying Capacity 25 Tons or 100 Passengers.

As she now lies.

A detailed list of fittings to be sold with the ship may be seen at these offices.

The vessel will be open to inspection from TO-DAY to the day of sale inclusive between hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Permits for inspection will be issued on application at the Auctioneers.

Ship may not be viewed without permit.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers to the Government.

Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

INTIMATIONS.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

THE Management beg to announce that the WEST WING EXTENSION and the new GARAGE will be completed during the month of June, 1921.

The Management having received numerous applications for monthly quotations from local residents who are not owners of private cars, have decided to allocate a limited number of rooms for this purpose, and now beg to announce the following inclusive rates:—

Two (2) persons occupying one double room with private bath, covering attendance, meals (which may be taken either at the Repulse Bay Hotel or at the Hongkong Hotel Main Dining Room) and transportation, i.e. one trip in and out each day during specified hours (excluding Sundays and Public Holidays) \$5.00, per month for two persons.

Four (4) persons occupying two double rooms with private bath, covering attendance, meals (which may be taken either at the Repulse Bay Hotel or at the Hongkong Hotel Main Dining Room) and transportation, i.e. one trip in and out each day during specified hours (excluding Sundays and Public Holidays) \$4.50, per month for two persons.

The difference in rates above quoted is explained as follows:—The rate of \$5.00, is for two persons in one car, and the second quotation of \$4.50, covers cases where four persons are prepared to share one car for transportation.

No extra charge to residents will be made in connection with the regular Tea and Dinner Dainties or entertainments held at the Repulse Bay Hotel.

Monthly residents will also be entitled to the free use of the individual bathing tents on the beach.

For further information apply in writing to the undersigned.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

J. H. TAGGART, Manager.

Hongkong, May 19, 1921.

St. John's Cathedral

MONDAY,

May 30th,

at 9.15 p.m.

ORGAN RECITAL

Vocalist:

Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith

MASSAGE.

Mr. HONDA and Mrs. HONDA

14 years' experience.

No. 24, W. Prater Street.

(Opposite to the China Mail.

INTIMATIONS.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

Proposal To Change Steamer's Name.

I, H. M. H. NEMAZEE of Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of an undertaking to that effect in the Bill of Sale and for the sake of uniformity in the names of the steamers of my fleet I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 in respect of the ship "BURRUM-BEET" of Hongkong Official No. 91,487 of gross tonnage 2120 tons register tonnage 1561 tons heretofore and at present owned by myself for permission to change her name to "BALTISTAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the port of Hongkong, as owned by myself.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hongkong this 20th day of May, 1921.

(Signed) H. M. H. NEMAZEE.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we have THIS DAY appointed CHARLES E. RICHARDSON our Hongkong Agent. Mr. RICHARDSON will handle all matters pertaining to U.S. Shipping Board vessels operated by the **MASSACHUSETTS COMPANY**, calling at Hongkong.

H. W. BURROUGHS, Local Manager.

Hongkong, May 25, 1921.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 18th ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, May 27th, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1920, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 14th May to 27th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 55th ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, May 27th, 1921, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1920, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 32nd ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, May 27th, 1921, at 2.45 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1920, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 31st May, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of May, to TUESDAY, the 31st day of May, 1921, both days inclusive.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED,

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, May 21, 1921.

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Dated at Hongkong this 20th day of May, 1921.

(Signed) H. M. H. NEMAZEE.

MUMEYA

Japanese Photographers.

We have removed our Premises to No. 26A, Queen's Road, C.

Sitting hours from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Portrait photos finished in one hour.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of May, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Company to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinances under which the Company is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the capital of the Company being from time to time increased from 20 millions of dollars to the present authorised capital of the Company to 50 millions of dollars.

2. That the Capital of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation be forthwith increased from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000 by the creation of 40,000 New Shares of the par value of \$125 each to be issued at the price of \$140 on the terms after mentioned. Shareholders on the Eastern Registers to pay for their allotments at the rate of exchange for the Company's demand bills on London on the day on which the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the first instance, in such manner as the Directors shall prescribe for that purpose, offered to shareholders in the proportion of one New Share for every three shares of which on the 28th day of May, 1921, Shareholders shall respectively be the registered holders, and that any New Shares not accepted by Shareholders within the time limited by the Directors for that purpose be disposed of and allotted by the Directors in such manner and at such price as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of \$70 per share for each of the said New Shares be made as follows, viz:—

1st instalment of \$25 on the 1st of July, 1921.

2nd and final instalment of \$25 on the 1st day of October, 1921.

5. That the Directors issue to Shareholders, holding shares less than or not a multiple of three, a fractional certificate in respect of each share less than three or in excess of a multiple of three and allot one New Share to every person who shall produce three such fractional certificates on or before the 1st day of July, 1921, and pay the first instalment in respect thereof.

6. That after payment of the instalment, and pending payment of the remaining instalment, Scrip Certificates in such form as the Directors may determine be issued in respect of such New Shares entitling the holders on payment of the remaining instalment, and subject to such other terms as to approval, date for lodging scrip certificates and otherwise as the Directors may prescribe, to be registered as the owner of the shares respectively represented by such Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum be allowed on the profits of the Company on instalments paid in advance of due date when the same become due, and that registered holders of Scrip Certificates for New Shares be entitled in respect of such New Shares to participate in future dividends on an equality with the old shares, in proportion to the instalments paid up, and from due dates for payment of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per centum per annum be charged on each instalment not punctually paid, and be paid with each such instalment.

9. That all moneys received from premium on the said New Shares be added to the Reserves Fund.

FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 28, 1921.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, the 1st June, 1921, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of May, to TUESDAY, the 31st day of May, 1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. S. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 20, 1921.

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WANTED.—To PURCHASE South China Morning Post Shares. Apply A.B.C. c/o "China Mail Office."

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FOR SALE.—ONE or TWO LOTS of LAND, in Jordan Road, Kowloon, about seven minutes by Richa from Ferry. For plan & further particulars apply Box 1288, c/o "China Mail."

THE GERMAN AT HOME.

(Continued from page 2.)

THE FICTION OF DISARMAMENT.

It matters a good deal, because Germany is not disarmed, will never be disarmed, and will re-arm within a year or two up to any scale she wishes directly the Control Commission is withdrawn. It is more or less known that she has still some 4,500,000 rifles and some 10,000 machine guns undelivered. How many guns she has still no one knows, but not one of the Big Berthas has come to hand. In effect, Germany has met us about the Reichswehr, but one has only to glance at the Sicherheits- oder Schutzpolizei to recognize in them not only Regular troops, but troops of the first quality.

All these people are N.C.O.'s of the old army and are intended to form the cadres for the future army which Germany will raise when she dares.

Her pensions officers are merely the old recruiting offices camouflaged, and it is known that the list of the trained men in the country, and even in the Posen district, are kept as far as possible up to date.

I am certainly not blaming the Control Commission. I consider that General Nollet and his Allied subordinates have effected almost miracles by collecting such vast numbers as 35,000 guns, 3,500,000 rifles, 14,000 aeroplanes, and 28,000 engines. It has been a great and highly creditable work, but its permanent value is wholly dependent on the continued retention of the Control, which is not in the Treaty, though as a sanction it might be imposed.

The Great General Staff, abolished by the Treaty, is said to exist still, though its officers are in multi and not shown on official lists. I give Germany five years to complete her old military power, but consider that from that point of view of material it may be completed in from one to two years.

We ought to know by this time how easily and rapidly any great industrial nation can adapt its machinery to war.

I am not accusing Germany of any aggressive intentions. I think that the whole country is utterly sick of the word "war," and a very old soldier in Germany to whom I have spoken has vowed to me that he will never fight again. But he told me the same tale at Verdun in 1915 and went on fighting for two years.

Anyhow, the sufferers pass away from the scene and the nation with its history and traditions remains. Also with its geography, its Gesteine, and its Gese. We must merely look faster in the face and see clearly. After our control of her is removed we are not going to stop Germany from becoming great, armed, and powerful again, when she wishes. By land, and sea, and air she collects industriously the means for war. The nations round her are arming too. Yet, quite imperturbably, Mr. Thomas, Atkins, from Cologne to Dusseldorf and from Krenzburg to Beuthen, sends out across the Germanic and Slav worlds his cheerful message, "Pass friend, and all's well."

"BIG BERTHA"

MECHANISM STILL A SECRET.

ALLIES' EFFORTS FAIL.

The secret of the mechanism of Big Bertha and the three long range guns of that type which the Germans are known to have possessed has so far eluded discovery. The peace treaty stipulates that these, just as all other German guns, should be surrendered, but up to now the Germans have refused to obey. A grant of 50,000 francs was made by the French Government for research work with a view to discovering the secret but down to the present nothing is known by the Allies apparently as to how these guns were made. The efforts are continuing.

A GOOD RULE FOR THE HOME.

MAKE it a rule of your home to always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints. It always cures promptly and no household is safe without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

May 24th, 1921.

Butcher Meat.

Seal Steaks, —Mal Long Pa .. lb. 20
Prime Cut 21
Corned, —Ham Ngan Yau .. 22
Roast, —Shin 29
Breast, —Ngan Nam 14
Scamp, —Tong Yau 16
Steak, —Ngan Yau Pa 30
Steak Steaks, —Ngan Lau .. 30
Sausages, —Ngan Cheung .. 25
Bullock's Brains, —Ngan Lo per set 10
Tongues, fresh, —Ham Ngan Lo .. 10
Tongues, corned, —Ham Ngan Lo .. 10

Head, —Ngan Tan 80
Heart, —Ngan Sam 12
Hump, Salt, —Ngan Kin .. 18
Feet, —Ngan Kank 10
Kidneys, —Ngan Yiu 9
Liver, —Ngan Mui 15
Livers, —Ngan Koon 13
Tripe (addressed), Ngan To .. 5

Calves' Head and Feet, —Ngan Tan .. 10
Mutton Chop, —Young Pal Kwai .. 33
Leg, —Young Pal 32
Shoulder, —Young Shau .. 28
Saddle, —Young On Yau .. 32
Pig's Chins, —Chu Chong .. 22
Bristle, —Chu No per set 2
Feet, —Chu Kank lb. 15
Fry, —Chu Chup 16
Head, —Chu Tan 10
Heart, —Chu Sam 10
Kidneys, —Chu Yiu 10
Liver, —Chu Koon lb. 33
Pork Chop, —Chu Pal Kwai .. 25
Leg, —Chu Pal 30
Loins, —Chu Hui Tin 24
Fat or Lard, —Chu Yau .. 23

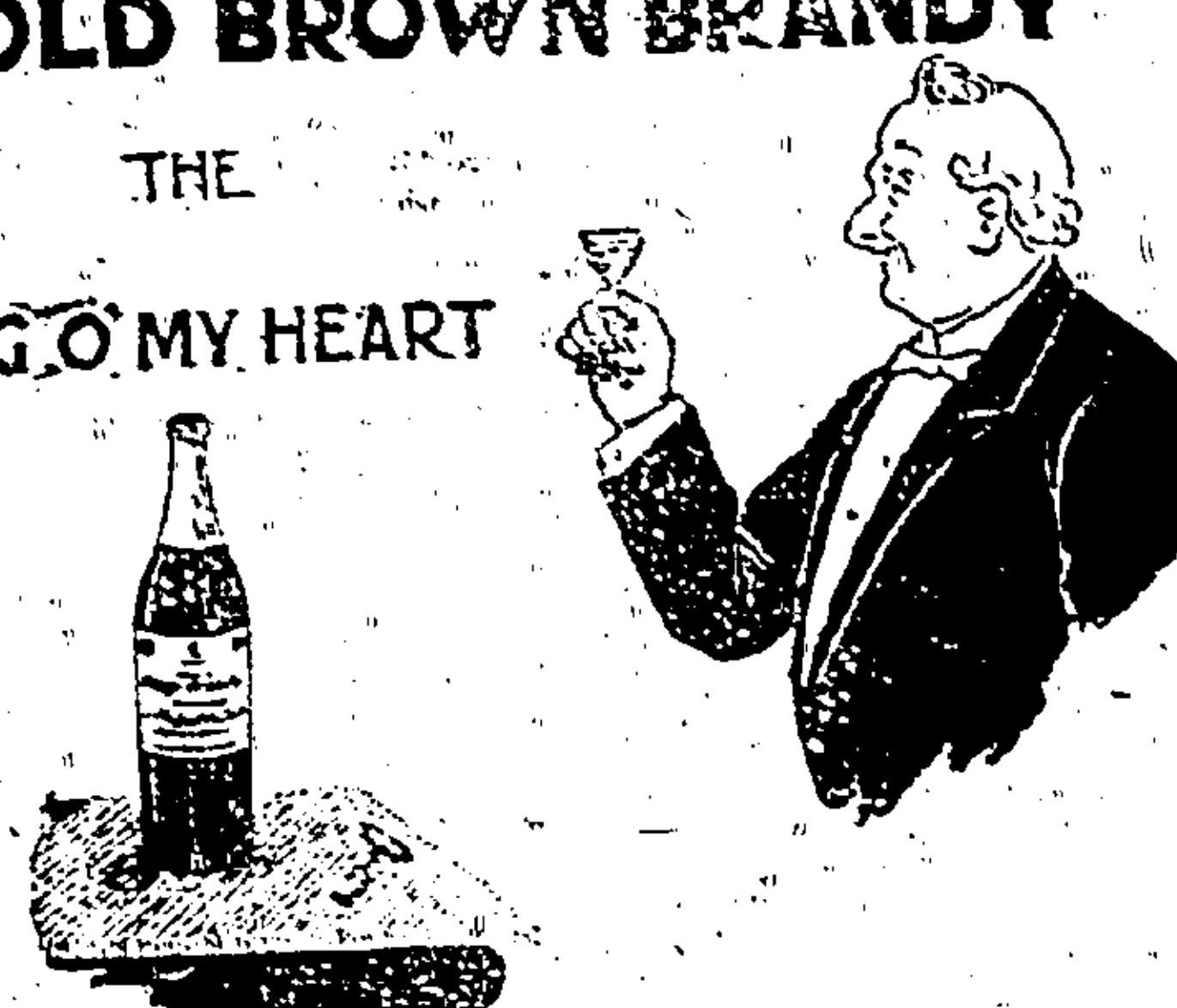
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Kidneys, —Young Yiu 12
Liver, —Young Koon lb. 32
Sucking Pigs, to order, —Chu Tai .. 14
Suet, Beef, —Shang Ngan Yau .. 19
Mutton, —Shang Young Yau .. 32
Veal, —Ngan Tai Yau 30
Sausages, —Ngan Tai Cheung .. 20
No. 1 lb. 28

Poultry.

Chicken, —Kai Tai lb. 30
Capons, Small, —Shu Kai .. 34
Capons, Large, —Shu Kai .. 38
Duck, —Ay 25
Doves, —Pai Kaa 10
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THE AMAH AS SCAPEGOAT.

In averring that the influence of heredity is very small compared with that of environment during the more plastic years, a woman lecturer at Shanghai was quite right. In the formation of character a child's surroundings count far more than all its prenatal influences, real though those are. But when she went on to label the Chinese amah, emphasising her "ignorance and immorality," the lecturer was quite wrong. It would have been fair to say that the Amah does not provide the most suitable environment for the plastic child. That also would apply to some of the white mothers, who include in their ranks, as the amahs do, ignorant and immoral individuals. It is perhaps because the amahs as a class are so very "good to baby" that the mothers neglect their children, or do not do all they might for them. As regards "mental companionship" for the very young, we do not recognize any great difference, or, more precisely, any serious inferiority of the average amah as compared with the low class mother, in the matter of "guiding the development of the child's mentality." Most of our young are misguided, even in homes regarded as of good class. Bernard Shaw has written very forcibly and very convincingly of this. Apparently the lecturer was desirous of the earliest Christian training for all children, but she has, of course, no right to expect from the heathen amah what is so rarely obtainable from the pseudo-Christian mother. It is amusing to

note that the Shanghai ladies in her audience did not agree with the lecturer. According to the *China Press*, a majority of those who spoke declared that the mother who had the "drudgery" phases of child-raising taken off her shoulders was free to contribute more to the mental and spiritual development of her child than the overworked mother at home. Presumably she would be able to teach in correct department at afternoon bridge parties. The mother who can talk of child raising as "drudgery" is no better woman than our invaluable amah, who, with all her faults (that can be duplicated among our own women) and with all her ignorance (counterbalanced to some extent by the motherly instinct) is a good servant likely to do less harm to the infant than a bad and inefficient mother. Her devotion is often rather overdone, so that she "spoils" the child, which becomes selfish and inconsiderate through being waited on hand and foot, and often quite unable to help itself in common difficulties. We think that our women out here escape so much of the "drudgery" that is the lot of wives at home that they have no good excuse for not supplementing the physical ministrations of the Amah with more "mental companionship" and personal guidance than they, as a body, customarily give. They get so engrossed in "social" engagements that they leave too much to the amah. There is no possible higher mission for woman than the training of the child, and there is no happier life to lead. But prior to the training of the child there should be training of the mother, and apparently our girls get no more training in motherhood than the amah does. At the last moment a young mother picks up a few hints from her own mother, who in turn got them from her mother,

and these oral traditions are frequently as full of ignorance and superstition as any amah convention. A good Chinese amah, under the constant supervision of a wise and thoughtful mother, probably gives to the European child out East a far better start than it would ordinarily get at home, and since that is a flat contradiction of the lecturer's main contention, we must side with those who voted against her, although we mistrust their motives. Perhaps we should add, before dropping the subject, that the father of the child has not done all his duty (nor exercised all his privileges) when he has provided it with food and clothes and shelter and service, and even tuition and entertainment. He owes to it, and to himself, much more, personal association than is the custom. The main life business of both man and woman is the child they have brought into the world, not merely a duty, but the purest and surest source of interest and pleasure. There is no drama more interesting than mental development, no dance more enjoyable than such family felicity as is, alas, in these days considered old-fashioned and suburban. What is it that Rabble sang something about the true pathos and sublime of human life being weans and wife? Father—mother—child—there's your real Holy Trinity.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A parcel of books for use of the troops has been received from Mr. H. M. H. Nemeze.

Mr. H. Matheson, chief accountant of the Chartered Bank sails by the Admiral Line steamer "Wenatchee" for America en route for Home where he will spend a holiday.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 7, 1921, amounted to 86,741 tons and the sales during the period, to 79,341 tons.

Suffering from plague, a 2-year old boy who was yesterday removed to the Tung Wah hospital from No. 35, Peel Street, is not expected to recover. All precautions to prevent infection have been taken.

L. W. Hartman, the European who recently caused great excitement on a "Star" ferry boat by jumping overboard in midstream, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital from the Macao steamer "Seian."

Four cases of plague (one fatal), three fatal cases of small pox (one imported), one fatal case of relapsing fever and three cases of cerebral spinal fever, (one imported) were reported yesterday. All the cases were Chinese.

Japan papers announce the death at the Atami Hotel, Atami, after a long illness, of Mr. J. B. Maxwell, for sixteen years a broker in Kobe, and previous to that time for sixteen years with Messrs. Cornes and Co., of Yokohama.

The report that the Lisbon Government had vetoed the Macao harbour improvement scheme, and demanded the nine million dollars saved from the revenues for the last ten years for that purpose has been officially denied and characterised as absolutely false.

Shanghai papers announce the death of Mrs. L. R. Berkhardt, who was in her 73rd year. Deceased had been ill for several months—since about Christmas in fact—and the sad event was not altogether unexpected. Mrs. Berkhardt spent many years in Shanghai.

The Hongkong Chinese tennis players, Ng Sze Kwong, Mr. W. Lo, W. Lock-wee, Yew Man-sun, and Choa Man-ping, left by the C.P.O.S. liner "Empress of Asia" today for Shanghai where they will represent the Colony against the Northern Settlement and probably play for China in the Olympic against Japan and the Philippines.

Ten Japanese, smuggled to the United States on the "Alabama Maru" last fall who were caught by the police at Seattle, have been returned to Japan, arriving on the "Africa Maru." They paid an agent Yen 1,200 each to get them into the United States, but one of the number was caught while swimming from the ship to shore, and the arrest of the others followed. One Japanese caught on the Mexican border was also returned.

The Wakeford appeal has stirred millions of people throughout the country, says a London wire. £2,000 sterling has already been subscribed towards his costs. The failure of the appeal seems to have astonished everyone. Archdeacon Wakeford declared that he has no plans until he has discussed the whole matter with his wife. He is, he says, still a priest and will remain a priest. He had already been offered a vicarage. He is deeply touched by receiving two pounds ten shillings from the choir boys of Lincoln towards his expenses, which amount to £2,000 sterling.

THE "TAIYO MARU."

LARGE GATHERING ENTERTAINED.

SOLVING THE HOUSING QUESTION.

That the housing problem in Hongkong might be solved by a ship such as the "Taiyo Maru," being anchored at some convenient spot, was the suggestion humorously put forward by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe yesterday. The occasion was a tiffin given by President Asano aboard the T.K.K. latest acquisition the "Taiyo Maru." The weather in no way seemed to have affected the response to the invitation that had been issued, for well over 200 persons found accommodation in the magnificent dining saloon, which is one of the boasts of the vessel. After an excellent meal President Asano, speaking in Japanese, extended a cordial welcome to the visitors. For over thirty years he had been connected by business with people in Hongkong but he had never before had an opportunity of visiting the Colony.

He had wanted to visit Hongkong very much, and just before the outbreak of the war he was arranging to do so, but when war broke out circumstances rendered the visit impossible. When the Government of Japan turned over to his Company this fine ship he felt that no better opportunity could offer for him to pay his long-intended visit to Hongkong, and he came on the ship. He had met so many Hongkong residents in Japan that he felt he wanted to meet them again in their own port and to thank them for the support they had given to his Company for so many years. He wanted to bespeak for this ship a continuance of the support they had always accorded to the Company's ships. (Applause.)

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police), who was seated at the President's table, said that somewhat to his surprise it had fallen to his lot to propose the toast of "Prosperity to the Toyo Kisen Kaisha," coupling with it the name of President Asano. Before doing so he was sure the large gathering would allow him to thank President Asano and his Company for the splendid reception they had given them. Mr. Wolfe recalled the small beginnings of the Company and spoke of its development as not only remarkable but most astonishing, adding that if such developments continued the question of harbour accommodation would become a matter of very serious consideration. Instead of demolishing Morrison Hill for the purposes of reclamations they would need to take land to make more room for shipping, and he facetiously suggested that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha might come to the assistance of the Colony, which had a Housing Question of some importance, by mooring this fine ship at some convenient spot and allowing residents of the Colony, including the largely increased staff of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, to live in such comfortable quarters—but as he observed that a friend interested in the Hongkong Hotel had his eye rivetted upon him he had better say no more on that subject, but hope that the "Taiyo Maru" (meaning "The Mighty Ocean") would have a very successful career on the Pacific and justify the hopes and expectations of her new owners. (Applause.)

The ship was then inspected by the visitors who were full of praise for the various appointments. A full description of the vessel has already been printed by the *China Mail*.

Among those who accepted the invitation were:—
Lord Acheson, Sir Ellis Kadoorie, Brigadier Macnaughton, Lieut. W. C. Hake, R.N. (Acting Harbour Master), Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. G. T. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid, Mr. K. E. Greig, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hunter, Mr. Wm. Russell, Mr. J. Gardiner, Mr. T. S. Morrison, Mr. A. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph P. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brown, Consul and Mrs. M. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Consul and Mrs. Humeaux, Consul and Mrs. V. G. Bury, Mr. J. C. Mogaschi, Consul W. H. Gale, Vice-Consul Leighorn Hope, Dr. Keit, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Krull, Mr. W. B. Walsh, Mr. C. T. Surridge, Mr. K. M. Petherly, Mr. Peter Tod, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Neeson, Mr. and Mrs. Burchard, Mr. P. D. Sutherland, Mr. J. H. Wallace, Mr. Percy Cox, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Percy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sutherland, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. E. F. Ancoett, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Alves, Mr. J. B. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Stalker, Mr. G. H. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Botelho, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kent, Mr. W. H. Armstrong, Mr. W. J. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bragg, Mr. O. B. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ferguson, Mr. Geo. Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bennett, Mrs. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. C. Burnett, Mr. H. A. Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie, Mr. and

CRUELTY TO CHICKENS.

A BAD CASE.

CALLIOUS COOLIES CONVICTED.

Cruelty to chickens, which had been unmercifully crowded into inadequate crates for the convenience of the two coolies who were to carry them, was alleged against three Chinese who were charged before Magistrate Lindsell this morning.

A European Sergeant said that he arrested two of the defendants, ordinary street coolies, at the "Star" Ferry wharf where they were boarding the boat with two crates of chickens. He counted 175 chickens which he said were so badly crowded in crates that the legs of some were protruding through the holes at the bottom of the baskets. Two chickens had been crushed to death and several more had been severely injured.

The owner said that he bought three crates of chickens at the Western Market and employed the coolies to transport them to Kowloon. The coolies themselves transferred the chickens to two crates for convenience in carrying. As he was not present when this was done, he could not be held responsible for their action.

One of the coolies admitted responsibility in the matter. The Magistrate accordingly fined him \$25 or three weeks' hard labour.

The other two defendants were discharged.

KILLED WHILE PLAYING.

CHILD'S TERRIBLE DEATH.

While at play yesterday on the gangway between the kitchen and the living portion of the second floor of No. 6, Caroline Road, Wanchai, yesterday, an 8-year old Chinese girl fell into the back yard and was killed instantaneously.

A HILLSIDE SKELETON.
The police yesterday removed to the Kowloon mortuary the skeleton of a Chinese child, who was found wrapped up in a piece of garment on the hillside at the rear of the Hokuen village, Kowloon City. This is believed to be another case of dumping after death to save funeral expenses.

The Andaman Islands are best known to the public through the penal settlements, which it is now proposed to close. A large proportion of the "inmates" have been practically free men within the limits of the islands. After ten years of graduated labour the convict was given a ticket-of-leave and became self-supporting. He could farm; he could marry or send for his family. Subject to good behaviour, he was finally released in from twenty to twenty-five years. The number of convicts has decreased during the past twenty years from something over to something under 10,000. But the peculiar fascination of the Andamans has always lain in its repulsive type of aborigines, effectively introduced to the great circle of British readers by Sir Conan Doyle in "The Sign of Four." Even the Arabs who wrote in the ninth century spoke of them as "black, with woolly hair, and in their countenances there is something quite frightful," and they were credited with "eating men alive." They are small in stature, and are probably the remnants of a debased negro race. Another unattractive feature of the islands (there are over 200 of them) is that three fourths of the mammals are bats and rats.

Mrs. T. Petrie, Mr. A. C. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. de W. Abney, Dr. Leslie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Lang and Miss Day, Mr. and Mrs. George Grimbly, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Karanjia, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. S. Grunwell, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. F. H. Crumpley, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wilton, Dr. F. Pierce Grone, M.D., Dr. Chas. Forsyth, M.D., Mr. and Mrs. Forsyth, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McNicoll, Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hendrie, Mr. J. H. Scott, Mr. E. G. Dingman, Mr. E. H. Ray, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Haggins and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. B. Silva-Netto, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Burdett, Mr. J. R. Murray, Mr. Bucknough, Mr. H. Tsuda, Mr. S. Yasuda, Mr. S. S. Kondoh, Mr. S. Komura, Mr. I. Kawaguchi, Mr. H. Togawa, Mr. C. Tsurutani, Mr. T. O. Kamow, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kobanashi, Mr. Y. Oshaki, Mr. Y. Yasuda, Consul E. Suzuki, Dr. T. Kitano, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. L. Soares, Mr. W. E. Walker, Mr. W. J. G. Whaley, Mr. Th. King, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. S. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lucas, Mr. Trevisan Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Connell, Capt. Mr. and Miss Chandler and Miss Kellor, Mr. S. M. Chum, Mr. J. C. Baretto, Mr. Allan M. Stark, Mr. Thompson, Capt. Brennan, Mr. A. H. Penn, Mr. Victor Vergara, Capt. Mr. G. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bove-Smith, Mr. A. M. Dunn and family, Mr. C. C. Scott, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. B. Packham and daughter, Mr. A. C. Botelho, Mr. A. Scilingo, Mr. S. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Epstein, Mr. Glover, Mr. R. A. Almeida Remedios.

HELD BY BANDITS.

MISSIONARY AS HOSTAGE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY STORY.

On May 6, the Rev. C. H. Stevens, of the C.I.M. at Fengshingfu, Shensi, was captured by brigands. The following letter from Mr. Stevens himself to the *N. C. Daily News* gives an amazing account of why he was taken and the circumstances in which he is held.

Sir.—Apropos of the recent articles and comments appearing in your paper on the question of "extraterritoriality" my present personal experience may furnish a little solid food for reflection to those who agitate for the abolishing of the "extraterritoriality" privilege.

For some time past troops from various quarters have been concentrating on this place with an idea of putting an end to the notorious *huo-chien*. Now they are within rifle shot of the city.

A few days ago, early one morning, a soldier came to the Mission House saying that his superior officer wished to see me. Just at that moment my wife and myself were busy seeing to some refugee children changing into summer garments that my wife had been hard at work making. I excused myself from accompanying the man just then, and invited his officer to call on me.

Thereupon several more armed soldiers came in and tried to force me to go with them. On my demanding to know the reason, they said it was desired to get me to negotiate peace. This turned out an absolute lie.

THE OFFICER'S THREAT.

On my going with them to see their officer he told me quite bluntly that Chen Shu-han had taken his old father, an ordinary civilian, from his home, also the brother of another officer, also a civilian, and had threatened their lives and that if that happened my life would pay forfeit, then he should turn "tufu," and not care what happened.

I was allowed to return to the Mission House and write letters to the Rev. A. G. Shorrock, B.A., Singan, into whose charge it was suggested the men were to be handed; also a letter in Chinese to the officer in charge of the Governor's troops. This completed, I was again sent for to the officer's quarters, and my wife accompanied me. My wife, far from strong, went off at once with only the clothes she had on, not even retaining home; and accompanied by two faithful Chinese Christians walked several miles to the camp of Governor Chen's commanding officer, risking their lives to cross the lines. The officer received them apparently kindly, though I have not seen my wife since, and late at night one of the men returned with a letter from the commander saying we must appeal to the Governor. Then my wife and the other escort evidently went towards Singan without extra clothes or any bedding. I have not been allowed to return to the Mission House to fetch anything, though I asked to be allowed to return for an hour to select a few things.

TO SPITE THE GOVERNOR.

Our own servants are allowed to bring me food and Christian helpers and friends are allowed to come and see me, though I have no privacy. A Christian helper who has been with us many years has stood by me and sleeps in the same room, where also sleep usually two soldiers armed. Apparently in case I should attempt to escape although I have given my word as a Christian and an Englishman that I shall not run away. It is only right to add that the soldiers treat me quite decently, and particularly those I have previously helped medically.

Not the least accusation has been brought against me and when remonstrated with they tell me plainly that this is the only way of their being able to spite the Governor and their one idea is to get him into trouble. Civilians, who know the record of our 25 years of service here, recognize this as a most outrageous procedure and scorn those responsible for it.

A FURTHER DESIGN.

After my wife had left, the officer responsible for my detention changed his word and demanded that Mr. Shorrock should have the two men escorted to their homes and that when letters in their own handwriting were received here he would set me at liberty to return to the Mission House but will not guarantee to escort me safely out of the city. This it can be plainly seen does not at all amount to an exchange of hostages, but simply leaves me as a tool to be used on some other pretext against the Governor. This from what I learn is just what is intended, as the information is conveyed to me in a round-about way that my freedom to leave the city depends on the Governor ceasing hostility. Thus my life now hangs in the balance even in spite of the fact that my brave wife had accomplished an extremely quick journey to U-kong (170 li) and tele-

SPECIAL CABLE.

STRAITS CIVIL SERVICES.

TEMPORARY ALLOWANCES REDUCED.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, May 25.
The Straits Government announces that from June 1, all temporary allowances payable to members of the Civil Services will be reduced by 25 per cent.

IS THIS TRUE?

"CANTON TIMES" SAYS CHINESE FORBIDDEN TO TRANSLATE ARTICLES FROM "CHINA MAIL."

Today's *Canton Times*, says—A report in the vernacular press states that according to those who come from Hongkong, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs called the editors of the various Chinese newspapers in Hongkong together for an interview in which the Chinese editors were ordered not to translate any articles from the English newspapers commenting on the officials of the Colony. The vernacular press believe that the unpopularity of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs among the intelligent British who do not approve of the issuance of the recent proclamations regarding the Government at Canton, is affording the English newspapers in the Colony to comment unfavourably on him. This is the reason accounted for by the vernacular press for the strange attitude taken by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs forbidding the translation of such articles appearing in Chinese papers.

WHY

ARE LONDON POLICEMEN CALLED "BOBBIES"?

What we call "slang" is usually nothing more than the efforts of the uneducated, or those who are rapid in their speech, to get their tongues around the longer and proper names for the objects to which they are referring. As a general rule, slang originates in the lower orders of society, though a number of terms which were originally colloquialisms have been adopted into the best usage and are now used by writers and speakers of distinction. Among these might be mentioned "pluck" (which was butchers' slang for the heart of an ox), "dun" (derived from the name of an expert collector of debts), "fan" (short for "fanatic"), and the like.

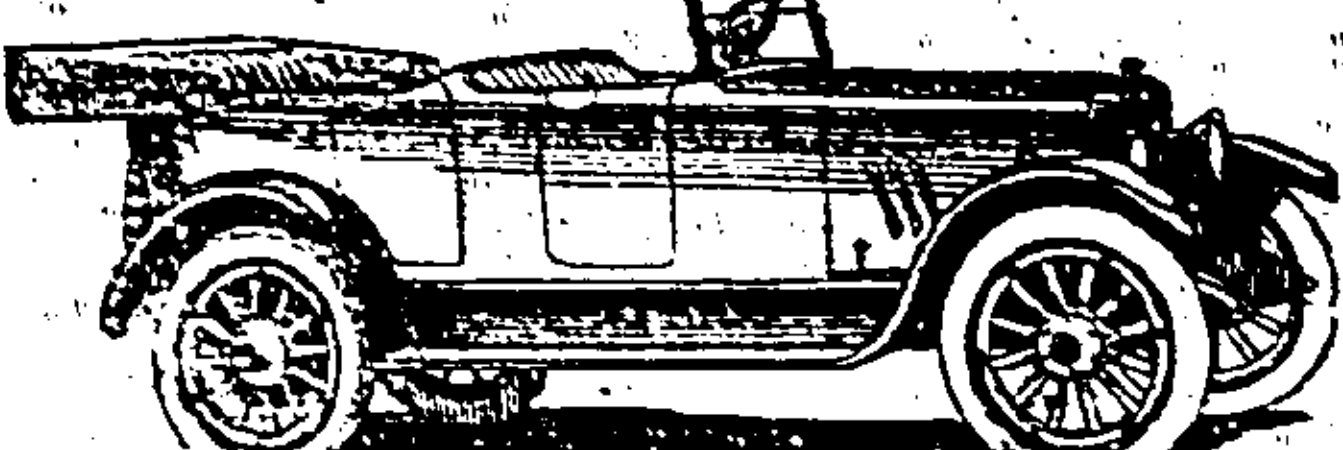
The reference to London policemen as "Bobbies," however, has its origin in another source. This is an abbreviation, not of a longer word, but of a name—that of Sir Robert Peel, who reorganized the force during the latter part of the nineteenth century. It is for the same reason that the word "peeler" is also applied to the British policeman, while the American "cop" is merely a shortening of "copper," referring to the buttons which formerly adorned their uniforms.

Command Orders state that a parade to celebrate the birthday of H. M. the King will be held on the Hongkong Cricket Ground on Friday next, June 3. There will be 700 men on parade, drawn from the following units: Royal Navy, Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, 2/Wilt. Regt., Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, H. K. S. Royal Garrison Artillery, and 2/22nd Punjabis. The parade will take place at nine a.m. and H. E. the Governor will make an inspection. A Royal Salute will be fired by a battery furnished by the Hongkong Singapore Battalion, R. G. A., and after the inspection has been completed the whole of the troops on parade will fire a *feu-de-jolie* and give the royal salute. Three cheers for His Majesty will be given and the men on parade will then march past His Excellency the Governor to their respective dismissal points. The band of the Wiltshire Regiment will supply the music.

phoned to the Governor and obtained his consent to spare the two men. This information has arrived here but I am still detained in close custody. Would those agitators for the abolition of the "extraterritoriality" privilege kindly hurry up here and exchange place with me and then see what they will pay? Only foreigners accepted, not even English-speaking Chinese returned students with frock-coat and leather will be accepted, so neither can their fulminations against the inclusion of an "extraterritoriality" article in any treaty count for anything. I am, etc. C. H. Stevens.

P. S.—I may note that my passport is imprisoned with me.

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ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

More Airship Marvels.

R33, originally designed for the Admiralty, but destined to be a commercial airship, was inspected by pressmen at the Inchinnan works, near Glasgow, recently. Here are a few facts about her. She can lift over 63 tons. Her maximum speed is 65 miles per hour. Range of action over 5,000 miles. Five power cars and one passenger car. Fullman is provision for 50 passengers. The carpets are a tasteful light blue. Crew sleep in hammocks along the keel. They have a gramophone. India could be reached in six days. Passengers will be able to alight before the vessel actually touches ground. They will pass through a trapdoor in their car to a platform on the mooring mast and so to earth.

Unusual Legal Point.

An interesting legal point has arisen in connection with the death of Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, who was killed in the recent railway accident in Wales. Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest in his will bequeathed £400 to his valet, who, however, was killed in the same accident, and the point is whether the master or the servant died first, or whether death was simultaneous. If the valet died first the money was never his, so his heirs cannot benefit as they would if he could be proved to have died last. What would happen if it was shown that they died simultaneously is not stated, although in law, in the case of a man and his wife, simultaneous death in an accident is not admitted, the woman, as the weaker, being considered as having died first. In any case it is hardly probable that the heirs of the valet will not be given the benefit of the doubt.

Rain of Death.

The world is progressing. A new poison, so deadly that three drops on the skin of a human being are sufficient to cause death, is the latest discovery of the United States Army Chemical Warfare Service. Experts are quoted as saying that if the liquid were projected from nozzles on the underside of an aeroplane it would kill everything in the path of the machine. One aeroplane, it is added, could distribute two tons of the liquid over an area seven miles long by 100 ft. wide, and this would be sufficient to kill every man in the area. The liquid is easily manufactured, and an output of several thousand tons a day could, it is said, quickly be reached. If there are any inhabitants on Mars who keep an eye on a sister world, they must be greatly interested in the endeavours of mankind towards self-extinction.

Evans of Broke.

The complimentary reference in the findings of the Marine Court which investigated the loss of the "Hong Moh" to Captain E. R. Evans calls to mind a story by Mr. "Puck" of *Ti Bits*. Here it is:—In the navy they call him "Evans of Broke," the man who, by prodigious heroism, saved over a hundred passengers on a steamer wrecked in the Chinese seas. All his life Captain E. R. Evans seems to have been performing deeds of heroism. While commanding the "Broke" during the war, he rammed and sank two German destroyers and torpedoed a third—one of the greatest naval feats of the war. In 1916 Captain Evans married a Norwegian lady; and his proposal was typical of the man. His wife was the acknowledged beauty of her social circle. "I mean to marry a man of action," she said to him. "Why don't you?" he asked. "No one has asked—"

Roulette Note Trick.

One of our readers who had occasion to change some money in local notes is feeling rather aggrieved, reports the *North China Daily Mail*. After receiving the notes, he gave them a casual glance and, considering them to be all right, stuck them in his pocket. Feeling, however, a little later on, he brought a check and did an unusual thing, it is that he paid for it in cash. When he pulled the recently changed notes out, to his great surprise, right in the middle of his \$10 bills he found a 100 rouble Kerensky Note (worth perhaps 10 cents), which had been given him instead of a \$10 note. So that he was properly had. With the *Races* coming on it is not to mention this as some *cheat's* *d'industrie* might try to work off, on the part-mutual experts a similar sort of trick, these notes being similar in size and style to those of the Chinese Government bank notes.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

DR. WANG'S POINTS.

THE THREE "ENEMIES."

In his recent interview with Reuters' Vancouver correspondent, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, China's representative to the Geneva conference which is to revise the League of Nations Covenant, does not designate Japan as China's enemy.

But if study his statements further it is seen that he designates as "enemies" to China the three weapons under which China quails. Using these weapons that nation can cause the so-called "open door" to become a ludicrous fallacy, can wrest from China her vast resources and utilize her limitless man power as an instrument of aggrandisement and the other as a means of assuring conquest.

Dr. Wang cites as the "three great enemies" of China:

1. Article 21 of the League of Nations Covenant.
2. The Anglo-Japanese Alliance.
3. The Lansing-Ishii notes.

In article 21 in the Covenant of the League of Nations, the authors propounded the doctrine of regional understanding without realising the danger to the peace of the Orient and the world. This would allow an enemy of China to pursue a policy of oppression and aggression. Japan has special aspirations in the Orient and this article recognises these aspirations.

No thinking Chinese can set his mind at ease so long as the Anglo-Japanese Alliance exists. Recent indications point to the probable renewal of the alliance. Article III of the treaty says "Japan, possessing paramount political, military and economic interests in Korea, Great Britain recognises the right of Japan to take such measures—in Korea—as she may deem proper, provided that such measures are not contrary to the principle of equal opportunities for the commerce and industry of all nations."

It is well-known that three months after the renewal of the alliance in 1905, Japan established a protectorate over the Hermit Kingdom and five years later, she formally annexed it.

Many Chinese are fearful that so long as things remain as they are, history will repeat itself. Adverse criticism directed towards the Lansing-Ishii notes is centered on four points.

- A. The terms in the notes appear to be self-contradictory.
- B. "Special interest" is a vague term but it implies special privileges contradictory to the "Open Door" policy.
- C. The principle upon which these "special interests" were built, that of geographical proximity, does not seem to be valid.
- D. China was not a party to the negotiations and her sovereignty was ignored.

John Hay's appraisal of the "open door" was a fight against "special interests" and unequal opportunities. But the thinking Chinese to-day believe that China's perils may be effaced, that the weapons which would inflict wrongs on China and her people may be wrested from the nation that could use them. The Chinese have hopes in three directions:

1. A revision of the League Covenant.
 2. President Harding's stand on awards made by the peace treaty.
 3. Great Britain's delay in renewing her alliance with Japan.
- America will not join the League of Nations unless the covenant is revised. Britain's decision to renew the alliance with Japan is delayed. Britain wants America's friendship and support and America desires nothing but peace with Britain.

At the drawing up of the convention which is to revise the League Covenant, China is to be represented by the man who so notably has designated China's enemies. He has left it to the world to realise which nation, if any of all nations, would use these weapons against China.

It would be hard for China to find a better man to represent her at the Geneva deliberations. Dr. Wang was educated at Yale and also studied in the universities of England, France and Germany. He was in the Ministry of Justice at Peking and was a member of the Law Codification Commission.

Captain James White, son of the defender of Ladysmith, has been sentenced to two years at Edinburgh for making seditious speeches at unemployment demonstrations.

CRICKET INTERPORT.

SHANGHAI SCORES 391.

HONGKONG ALL OUT 80.

As reported by our Shanghai Correspondent, the interport cricket match opened at Shanghai on Tuesday. Owing to the Empire Day celebrations, a start was not made until after lunch. Shanghai won the toss and elected to bat first. There was a record crowd present.

Deeks and Ollerdsen opened the innings with a perfect batsman's wicket, and soon were hitting out merrily until Ollerdsen split a finger gave trouble. A little later he was bowled out by Webster with a beautifully compiled 62 to his credit. Captain Barrett, Quayle, Muriel and Leach followed and did such good work that when stumps were drawn, Shanghai's score read 309 for the loss of only four wickets. Of this figure, Capt. Barrett contributed a brilliant 133, not out. He hit four fours and one six in five successive balls, a performance which was well applauded. Of the other batsmen, Deeks contributed 9 runs, Quayle 28 and Muriel 43. Leach, who was returning Capt. Barrett when stumps were drawn, scored 10, not out. Mr. "Extras" was responsible for 18 runs.

During the tea interval, H. B. M. Consul-General unveiled the war memorial at the cricket club.

Tuesday's scores were:

SHANGHAI	
Ollerdsen, b Webster	62
Deeks, b W. Reed	9
Barrett, not out	133
Quayle, c Bagnall, b Reed	28
Muriel, lbw, Sayer	43
Leach, not out	10
Extras	18
Total	309

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Capt. P. H. Davis	28 1 103 0
Reed	20 3 50 2
Webster	12 2 59 1
Sayer	4 0 39 1

On the whole, Hongkong's bowling was good, but the Shanghai batting was remarkably strong and gave very few chances. Hongkong's fielding was excellent. Every man played carefully and kept the scores as low as possible. Rumjahn in particular distinguished himself by his accuracy.

In the evening, the Hongkong players were guests at an entertainment given at the Lyceum Theatre.

YESTERDAY'S PLAY.

Owing to a steady drizzle during the night, the cricket was not so favourable to the batsmen yesterday when Capt Barrett (133 not out) and Leach (10 not out) continued the batting in Shanghai's first innings. A strong wind was blowing and there was promise of the wicket being dried up, but at the opening stage the advantage was quite clearly the bowlers' and they did not lose much time in making the most of it. With the sun out of sight, it was distinctly colder when Davies and Reed started bowling for Hongkong, and their first few overs were rather weak. Hongkong's fielding too, perhaps for the same reason, was not up to the previous day's standard, and Shanghai looked like taking the score beyond the 400 mark. However, the bowling soon improved and gave no end of trouble. Before Capt. Barrett had added five runs to his score, he gave Sayer and easy catches at lower point. Hongkong's captain was not ready and let the ball drop. A few minutes later Leach had a very narrow escape owing to misunderstanding between Franks (Hongkong's wicket-keeper) and the slips. However, Leach did not survive this piece of good luck long, de Rome catching him nicely. He was dismissed with only 14 runs added to his previous day's 10. Wainwright joined Barrett but was immediately afterwards dismissed for "duck," being run out by his partner as the result of a smart return by Bagnall. When Barrett next gave a chance at cover point, Sayer made amends for his previous mistake with a beautiful one-hand catch. Capt. Barrett made the trip back to the pavilion with 165 runs to his credit, including five sixes and nineteen fours, a very creditable performance. With all the star batsmen out of the way now, Hongkong's bowlers played havoc with the tail end, and at 1 p.m., Shanghai's innings closed with 391, only 83 runs above the previous day's score of 309 for four wickets.

SHANGHAI—1ST INNINGS.

H. B. Ollerdsen, b Webster	64
S. J. Deeks, lbw, Reed	11
Capt. E. L. M. Barrett, c Sayer, b Reed	165
J. A. Quayle, c Bagnall, b Reed	28
H. E. Muriel, lbw, Sayer	43
D. W. Leach, c de Rome, b Reed	24
P. L. Wainwright, run out	0
W. N. Hansell, c Reed, b Davies	1
Dr. O'Hara, b Davies	2
H. W. Allison, c Stapleton, b Davies	10
C. H. Bhooora, not out	15
Extras	22
Total	391

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Davies	39 1 150 3
Reed	32 5 81 4
Webster	12 2 59 1
Sayer	4 0 39 1
Farthing	13 4 40 0

SHANGHAI—2ND INNINGS.

G. R. Sayer, c Muriel, b O'Hara	15
F. J. de Rome, b O'Hara	0
Lt. I. B. Franks, run out	25
Capt. C. Oliver, c Ollerdsen, b O'Hara	0
A. A. Rumjahn, b O'Hara	5
R. E. A. Webster, b O'Hara	3
C. I. Stapleton, b O'Hara	4
Major H. G. Bagnall, c O'Hara, b Allison	6
P. H. Farthing, b O'Hara	0
E. B. Reed, lbw, Allison	0
Capt. P. H. Davies, not out	8
Extras	14
Total	80

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Davies	39 1 150 3
Reed	32 5 81 4
Webster	12 2 59 1
Sayer	4 0 39 1
Farthing	13 4 40 0

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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MONDAY,

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Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

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By Order of the Board.

O. BORD, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 26, 1921.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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SANITARY BOARD.

OUR INFANTILE MORTALITY.

THE MOSQUITO PEST.

Our infantile mortality and the prevalence of the mosquitoes were the principal subjects which occupied the attention of the members of the Sanitary Board at the fortnightly meeting of the Board held in the Boardroom, Post Office Building yesterday afternoon.

The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins (D.P.W.) presided, and there were present Dr. W. W. Pearce (M.O.H.), Dr. W. M. Koch, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Chau Shou-sen and Mr. C. M. W. Reynolds (Secretary).

After the usual letters from the Government had been tabled, Dr. Koch, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:

With reference to the following cablegram published by Reuter—

"At a meeting of the National Council on Venereal Diseases, to which the Mission to the Far East presented its report, Mrs. Neville Rolf declared that she was never so ashamed of being an Englishwoman as she was in Hongkong, where the registered infant death rate was eight hundred higher than the birth rate, despite British occupation for eighty years."

will the Head of the Sanitary Department state for the information of the Board—

(i) Whether these figures were supplied from an official or other authorized source, or whether it is known how they were obtained?

(ii) Whether the infant mortality rate of the Colony has been calculated and if so what are the latest figures available?

(iii) If such rate has not been calculated what are the difficulties which would tend to invalidate such calculation?

Dr. W. W. Pearce, Medical Officer of Health, gave the following replies:

(i) Vital Statistics in the Colony are officially the affair of the Medical Officer of Health. No information as to infant mortality was asked from me by Mrs. Neville Rolf and I do not know how she obtained her figures.

(ii) No Infantile Mortality Rate has been calculated.

(iii) The Infantile Mortality Rate in a given locality is the ratio of the deaths of infants under 1 year of age in that place during one year to the number of children born in that place during the same period.

In Hongkong we do not know—

(1) How many children are born here in any given year, nor—

(2) How many children who die here are brought to the Colony in bad health and therefore cannot calculate a corrected Death Rate.

All deaths are registered in order that burial may take place, but it is not the custom of the majority of Chinese to register births. Birth rates are calculated at so many per thousand of the population as are and are therefore not comparable with Infant Mortality Rates.

Such births as are registered here are chiefly those of males, e.g., of 400 births registered during the first quarter of 1921, only 90 are of females—22.5 per cent., while 1,456 births, attended by registered midwives during the first 4 months of this year, show a percentage of 85.7 females.

Dr. Koch said he did not want to make any lengthy comment but the lady mentioned in the cable seemed to have been speaking rather at random. He intended to send Dr. Pearce's answers to the medical papers in England.

The Chairman said it seemed a good thing that the question had been asked, in view of the fact that the statement was apparently not based on inquiries from official sources and was apparently inaccurate.

THE MOSQUITO PEST.

Reporting on the prevalence of mosquitoes and the survey which is being made of possible breeding places of these pests Dr. Pearce said that owing to the illness of the Senior Inspector, the report was not quite completed, but he was in a position to give the Board some information. On Crown Lands, actual breeding places had been found; e.g., in four pullahs; in tanks left by contractors (since removed); in swamps, particularly one in King's Park, Kowloon. A very large number of potential breeding places had been found on Crown Land: in bamboo fences; in a few untrained nullahs; in numerous places where the surface channels on the upper levels, on the Peak, especially—drained over the hillside, allowing pools to form.

On private land no fewer than 21 actual breeding places had been found in Hongkong, in spite of the heavy rains which, no doubt, had washed away many deposits of mosquito larvae. In Kowloon, Dr. Woodman reported that 90 per cent. of the private premises showed signs of mosquito breeding. Fortunately, none of the specimens were *anopheles* but *culex*, the domestic type. Broadly speaking, domestic mosquitoes were all *culex*, and *anopheles* were the silvan or rural type.

It used to be thought that mosquitoes would not travel more than a quarter of a mile but it had been found, recently, by experiments in Netherlands India, that they would travel many miles in search of blood. In Java, mosquitoes were caught as they came out of a pool, by means of nets, thousands were coloured artificially and released. They were recognised 7,000 metres distant from the place where they were caught. That must alter ideas held heretofore as to mosquito prevention. It was not sufficient to cut undergrowth near at hand, although it would be of some use since it would deprive mosquitoes of shelter from the sun by day. Without that protection, they would die. He would like to remind the public of the mosquito-biting habits. Cold weather killed them, but some hibernated under favourable conditions and lived right through the winter.

Means were available to get rid of mosquitoes from houses. Facilities could be supplied, composed of sulphur, saltpetre and charcoal, by means of which dark, damp, cold, and other dark places could be fumigated. These were available to any who wanted for them and instructions were applied with the pestles.

ORGAN RECITALS.

MR. DENMAN FULLER'S FINE RECORD.

NEXT MONDAY'S PROGRAMME.

Mr. Denman Fuller will give his next Organ Recital in St. John's Cathedral on Monday next at 9.15 p.m.

He will play some of the pieces included in his last programme and in addition two others, namely "Vision" by Rheinberger and a remarkable study in tone colour, "The Garden of Iram" by an Arabian composer, R. S. Stoughton. Mr. Fuller-Smith who will again be the vocalist will sing "Jerusalem" (Mendelssohn) and in place of her previous Handel selection, "Ye who now sorrow" (out of Brahms' famous "Requiem") which it is believed has not been heard here before.

Since he became Organist of this Cathedral, Mr. Denman Fuller has been instrumental in raising approximately \$20,000 for the Organ Fund (\$3,000 of it in the past few months); only about \$100 is now needed to clear off the cost of the recent improvements and it is hoped this Recital will make good this deficit.

NEXT GYMKHANA.

THE ENTRIES.

The following are the entries for the Gymkhana to be held on 4th June—

Half Mile Race for Sub. Carpenters, Workshop, Miserrimus Doleful, Nightmare (Meadow Mouse), Glad Eye (East), Shooting Star, Givichy, By Jingo, Frampton, Peradventure, King Harry.

Class Handicap, Once Round: Merryssand, Bolshiev, Birdshop, Charing Cross, Siamese Cat, Dandy Child, Forest Child, Coal King, Scampardale, Jawleyford, Tidley-winks, Miserrimus Doleful, Quo Vadis, Stanley Chief, Repulse Bay Chief, Ardelean, Spott Child, Saver-nake, Flywheel, Harlequin, Beggar King, Lightning, Shooting Star, Dunsport (Aspirin), September Morn, St. Anthony, By Jingo, Tweedledum, King Harry, Leighton, Neston, Mystic Dahlia, Redbird, Strome.

Gymkhana Stakes: Bolshiev, Pawshop, Siamese Cat, Hutton, Scampardale, Jawleyford, Quo Vadis, Hongkong Chief, Repulse Bay Chief, Barran, Spynie, Harlequin, Beggar King, Speckled Mouse.

Polo Scurry: Silva, Talisman, Jarrocks, Chow, Punch, Ginger, After Dark, Wee Mouse, Miserrimus Doleful, Moonshine, Mouse, Consternation, Brown Paper, Fighting Tight, Redcoat, Notwithstanding.

Five Furlong Race: Merryssand, Workshop, Pawshop, Tucksand, Charing Cross, Hutton, Mooldy, Coal King, Moonshine, King, Scampardale, Tidleywinks, Miserrimus Doleful, Ardelean, By Jingo, Strome, Repulse Bay Chief, Stanley Chief, Spott Child, Spynie, Harlequin, Beggar King, Tweedledum, Mystic Dahlia, Lightning, Shooting Star, Pantile, Louza, Mountain Stream, Dunsport, Cranby, Redbird.

1 1/2 Mile Handicap: Carpenter Bolshiev, Tucksand, Forest Child, Siamese Cat, Jawleyford, Tidley-winks, Miserrimus Doleful, Quo Vadis, Spott Child, Hongkong Chief, Kandy Chief, The Amerer, Saver-nake, Flywheel, Harlequin, Beggar King, Lightning, St. Anthony, Leighton, Neston.

COMPANY REPORT.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., General Managers of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, state that, after taking into account the payment of interim dividends made in October 1920 and in February 1921, also the sum of £2,059 2s. 3d. brought forward from 1919, and after providing for depreciation and all contingencies (including transfer to special repairs and renewals reserve £50,000 and to equalisation of dividend fund £30,000), there remains a balance in respect of the revenue account for the year ending December 31, 1920, of £134,689 6s. 4d.

It is proposed to pay the balance of dividend on preferred shares, namely 3s. per share, and a final dividend on deferred shares of £210s. per share, and to carry forward to next year's account, the sum of £327 8s. 4d. Income-tax will be deducted from all dividend warrants issued in London but not from those issued locally, which will be payable at Exchange 2s. 5d., the T.T. rate ruling on 25th inst.

The forth annual general meeting of the Company will be held at the offices of the General Managers at noon on Wednesday, June 15th.

To any who want for them and instructions were applied with the pestles. The remainder of the business was formal.

RUSSIAN OPERA.

AN EXCELLENT COMPANY.

COMING TO HONGKONG.

Gorgeous dressing, attractive singing and exceptionally good ballet work are features that should ensure the success of the ten days' season which the Russian Light Opera and Operette Company are to commence in Hongkong at the Theatre Royal early in June.

Fifty eminent Russian artists are included in the company which has embarked on a world tour, commencing its peregrinations at Peking where three performances were given. A dozen performances were staged in Peking and when the company reached Shanghai it played there for a month. When their Hongkong season commences to the end the artists will move on to Singapore, Java, Sumatra, Manila and the United States.

Included in the company's well chosen repertoire of light operas and operettes are: "The Merry Widow," the popular operette by the celebrated composer, Lehar; including "Moon-tigrin and Kolo dances," also electric swings over the audience; "The Dollar Princess," the popular opera from American life by Leo Fall; "The Count of Luxembourg," Lehar's famous operette; "Gypsy Love," the popular opera comique by Lehar; "The Vestal of the Fire God," the famous operette from Indian life by the Russian composer Valentini; "The Marriage Market," the popular operette from Canadian life by the American composer Jacob; "Sylvia," "The Geisha," "Don Cesar," an opera comique which received the first prize in the 1875 Paris operette competition, and a wonderful libretto, described as "a most lovely and poignant operetta" entitled "The Mysteries of a Harem." The scenery and stage effects are selected with a fine discrimination as to artistic effect.

The principal artists are the Misses Gloria, Charskaia, Gousseva, Rootkovskaia, Malinovskaia, Gorskaia, Lanskaja, Balinskaja and Messrs. Daroff, Elinoft, Krechetoff, Valia, Crugloff, Elin, Petroff and Alekseeff. The orchestral leader is Mr. A. Olshantzi, the Ballet-Master.

SUPERSTITIONS.

TURNING THE SHOE.

If during the night you should hear an owl hooting, or a dog howling, or any other unhuman sound, should suspect that witches or ghosts are about or anything of that sort, just get up and turn your shoes upside down. That will counteract the evil portent and drive away all ghosts and witches.

Inquiry has shown that this salutary practice of shoe-turning under the circumstances mentioned is common in the United States. From the time men began to wear shoes—or the same thing under another name, sandals—the shoe acquired a rather important part in supernatural lore from the magic of association, as appears from the part it plays in ancient superstitions, myths and sacred rites. As a part of a man's apparel it took on more or less of the man's individuality. We still have the expression to "stand in another man's shoes," as a metaphor for taking another man's place. Phry, the great Roman naturalist, used to spit into his shoes before he put them on in order to drive out any evil spirit which might be lurking there, attempting to "hoodoo" him by standing in his place. Shoes were never brought into the sanctuary of Alecto, the "unresting one" of the avenging Furies. Nobody wanted to risk a Fury getting into his shoes.

Now when your shoes are lying right side up beside the bed and the dog howls, and the owl hoots, and evil influences are abroad in the night, it is evident that the said shoes offer altogether too many facilities for the evil spirits to enter them—of standing in your shoes as they would have in Phry's had he not exorcised them. But turn the shoes upside down and the evil spirits are necessarily foiled.

Mr. L. Cherpino and the Managers Messrs. Daroff and Suter. Bookings at Moutrie's have already commenced at popular prices.

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GERMAN TRADE IN SHANGHAI.

A CHINESE VIEW.

ACTIVITY AMONG THE OLD FIRMS.

Further interesting information with reference to the activity of German merchants in Shanghai is given in an article in the "Sincen-zoo." According to this journal, the commercial treaty with Germany has not yet been drafted, but German merchants in Shanghai are very active and their former commercial standing is gradually being restored. Although the Allied nations have made a rule that all German exports must pay an export duty amounting to one-tenth of their value, the quantity of indigo, nails and other merchandise arriving in Shanghai is very large. Substantial quantities are arriving each week.

Most of the men who were formerly managers of German export firms have returned to Shanghai, among them

the managers of Siemens and Melchers, while other well known companies are now represented. They are endeavouring to resume business, with the assistance of their old comrades. The Pootung wharf of Melchers & Co. is under the control of the Ministry of Communications and is at present leased by a Japanese firm. The lease expires in August or September next and a German representative of Messrs. Melchers, accompanied by a Chinese, has left for Peking in the hope of securing the lease from the Ministry of Communications, so as to be able to use the wharf for German vessels.

The Board of Directors of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank at Berlin has appointed a Chinese representative at Shanghai in connection with the opening of a branch office, and temporary accommodation has been secured at No. 51 Kiangsu Road. The former comprador of the bank is assisting in arrangements for the resumption of business, but this cannot be done until the commercial treaty has been signed. It is learned that the Waichapou will not sign the treaty until the question of reparations has been determined.

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TWO ADMIRALS DEAD.

CRIMEAN HERO WHO FOUGHT IN CHINESE WAR.

LONDON, May 26.

The deaths are announced of Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson and Admiral
Sir James Bruce.

Admiral Sir Arthur Knyvet Wilson, V.C., O.M., G.C.B., was First Sea
Lord of the Admiralty from 1909 to 1912 when he retired. He served in
the Crimean War, 1854, and the Chinese War, 1855. Admiral Sir James
Andrew Thomas Bruce, K.C.M.G., was second in Command of the China
Station from 1900 to 1901.

ULSTER ELECTIONS.

COUNTING OF THE VOTES BEGUN.

LONDON, May 26.

Counting the votes in the Ulster elections has begun but the extra work
entailed by the proportional representation system will delay declaration of
most of the results until the week-end. The first member elected was
Mr. Moles, member of the House of Commons, for South Belfast where
he secured a clear quota. Indications are that other three Unionists will
be returned.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND
PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE.

FROM SHANGHAI.

May 28.—J.C.I.L. Tjiboda.
June 1.—B.F. Knight Companion.
June 5.—J.C.I.L. Tjiboda.
June 12.—F.O. Plassy.
June 15.—B.F. City of Madras.
June 18.—P.O. Dunera.
June 20.—B.F. Archibald.
June 24.—P.O. Delta.
July 4.—B.F. Denon.
July 6.—B.F. Teiresias.
July 9.—B.F. Eurymachus.
July 13.—B.F. City of Norwich.
July 18.—B.F. Leonidas.
Aug. 2.—B.F. Tjiboda.
Aug. 28.—B.F. Arcadius.

FROM JAPAN.

May 30.—E. & A. St. Albans.
June 1.—B.F. Arratoon Apar.
June 2.—B.F. Hector.
June 8.—B.F. Eurymachus.
June 12.—B.F. Tjiboda.
June 15.—B.F. Machaon.
June 18.—B.F. Calliope.
June 22.—E. & A. Tyndarus.
July 4.—B.F. Mentor.
July 13.—B.F. Sylla.
July 18.—P.O. Khyber.
Sept. 1.—P.O. Khyber.
Oct. 10.—B.F. Pyrrhus.

FROM MANILA.

June 11.—B.F. Tjiboda.
July 28.—B.F. Proteus.
Aug. 14.—B.F. Ixion.
Sept. 8.—B.F. Tjiboda.
Sept. 29.—B.F. Tyndarus.

FROM JAV.

June 3.—J.C.I.L. Tjiboda.
June 5.—J.C.I.L. Tjiboda.

FROM CALCUTTA.

May 28.—N.Y.K. Tominu Maru.
June 1.—N.Y.K. Tominu Maru.

FROM BOMBAY.

June 5.—P. & O. Dunera.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 29.—E. & A. St. Albans.
June 7.—E. & A. Eastern.

FROM SEATTLE.

May 28.—B.F. Tjiboda.
June 17.—B.F. Tyndarus.
June 18.—B.F. Proteus.
June 20.—B.F. Khyber.
June 24.—P.O. Delta.
July 4.—B.F. Denon.
July 6.—B.F. Teiresias.
July 9.—B.F. Eurymachus.
July 13.—B.F. City of Norwich.
July 18.—B.F. Leonidas.
Aug. 2.—B.F. Tjiboda.
Aug. 28.—B.F. Arcadius.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

June 11.—O.M. Tjiboda.
June 12.—J.C.I.L. Tjiboda.

FROM LONDON.

May 28.—G.L. Glengyle.
June 3.—P. & O. Plassy.
June 10.—B.F. Glengyle.
June 12.—N.Y.K. Yokohama Maru.
June 15.—B.F. Kleist.
June 18.—P.O. Syria.
June 24.—P.O. Khyber.
July 4.—P.O. Khyber.
July 13.—P.O. Khyber.
Sept. 12.—P.O. Khyber.
Oct. 10.—P.O. Khyber.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

May 31.—B.F. Denon.
June 1.—B.F. Mentor.
June 7.—B.F. Tyndarus.
June 10.—B.F. Ixion.
June 13.—B.F. Helenus.
June 17.—B.F. Teiresias.

The O.P.O. B.M.S. "Empress of
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22 (7 a.m.), left there on May 22
(1 p.m.), and was due at Kobe on May
23 (4 p.m.).

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From Shanghai 4.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 28.

From Shanghai 4.15 p.m.
From Siam 4.15 p.m.
From Japan and Manila 4.15 p.m.
From Japan 4.15 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 30.

From Europe via Suez (Letters and Newspapers London
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FRIDAY, MAY 27.

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TUESDAY, MAY 31.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 2.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 3.

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For Shanghai 4 p.m.
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SATURDAY, JUNE 4.

For Straits, "Bangkok, Calcutta, Aden and
Siam" 4 p.m.
For Japan and Shanghai 4 p.m.
For Japan and Manila 4 p.m.
For Shanghai 4 p.m.
For Europe via Suez (Letters and Newspapers London
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SUNDAY, JUNE 5.

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Siam" 4 p.m.
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SPECIAL CABLE.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

SECOND DAY'S PLAY.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 26.

The second day of the interport
cricket match was marked by a
strong southerly gale. Shanghai
concluded its innings with 391.
Barrett passed the century and a half
and was caught out. Hongkong was
all out for 80. Dr. O'Hara fetching
seven wickets received a rousing
ovation. Sayer and De Rome opened
Hongkong's second innings, scoring
27. Further play was impossible
owing to the steady downpour.

CANTON AND HONGKONG.

THE CASSELL COAL AFFAIR.

CANTON PAPER ASKS OUR GOVERNOR
A QUESTION.

While reading over the exchanges
last night we came across an item in
the North China Daily Mail which
shocked us out of our contentment
over the assurances recently given
to the Kwangtung Government by
H. E. Governor Stubbs that his visit
to Peking had no connection with
Canton affairs, says the Canton Times
in its leading article of to-day's issue.
This item sub-headed "Britain's
Acquisitions" stated that Britain has
acquired mining rights in the twenty-
three districts in Kwangtung after the
establishment of the new Consortium.
The information is dated London,
May 13.

Now it happens that the Cassell
agreement mentions just twenty three
districts of Kwangtung province by
name, followed by an "etc." The
only possible inference we could draw
from this, is that the report which
emanated from London refers to the
same mining rights included in the
terms of the Cassell Agreement.

After having received authoritative
information of Governor Stubbs'
official assurances to the government
of Kwangtung, we feel reluctant about
bringing the matter to the attention
of the public again. It may be a
mere coincidence that this report came
from London at the very time, or
soon after, His Excellency was enter-
tained in Peking by Hsu Shih-chang.
Some one connected with the Cassell
interest may have given out the re-
port. It may have been made by
an irresponsible party who has no
official position whatsoever. Our
first inclination was to throw the
clipping into the editorial waste
basket and think nothing more of it.
But after reading the item over and
over again, we came to the conclusion
that it would do no harm to publish
it, if for no other reason than to have
it denied.

We cannot believe the Cassell
interests are so powerful with the
Hongkong Government that they can
induce the Governor of the Colony to
make a special trip to Peking on their
behalf. But the item we refer to
states "Britain has acquired mining
rights.... and it is surmised that
the Powers concerned may take steps
sooner or later to get Britain to
transfer the concessions to the Con-
sortium." We thought Major Cassell
represented a British Syndicate only;
and the British Government's inter-
est in the matter was the same as
it would be in any other transac-
tion between a British firm
and the Chinese Government.
We never suspected that Major Cassell
represented and acted for the
British Government. Perhaps we
should not lay too much
stress upon this point for the
statement may give this latter im-
pression because of its apparent
abbreviation and the usual newspaper
way of putting things.

Now that the recent understand-
ings between Canton and Hongkong
have been cleared up and everything
is serene, again, perhaps His Ex-
cellency Governor Stubbs would not
object if we put a point-blank question
to him: "Did your Excellency's
visit to Peking have any connection
with the Cassell Coal Agreement?"
We do not mean this as an
impertinence, nor do we doubt his
assurance recently given to the
Kwangtung Government. If Gov-
ernor Stubbs does not feel inclined to
answer, we will drop the matter
entirely.

[The news item referred to is as
follows:—London, May 13.—According
to reports, Britain has acquired
mining rights in the twenty-three
districts in Kwangtung after the
establishment of the new Consortium.
It is surmised that the Powers con-
cerned may take steps sooner or
later to get Britain to transfer the
concessions to the Consortium.—
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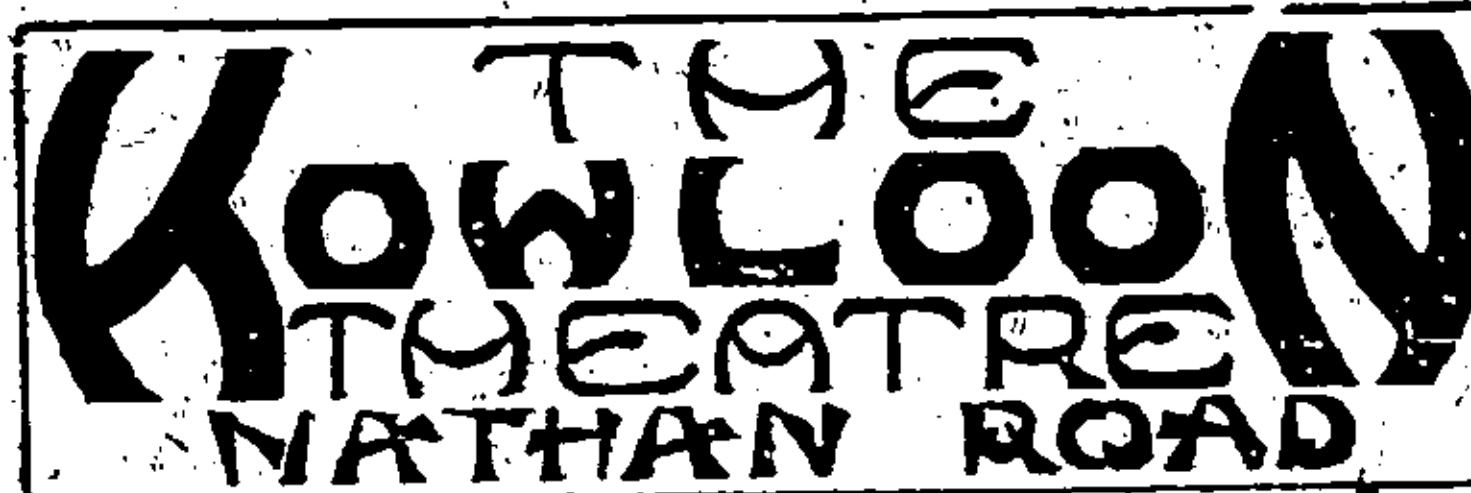
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A COURT DRAMA.

JURY OF MEN PREFERRED.

A woman lawyer fighting for an-
other woman's life is a drama taking
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The prisoner, a motherly-looking
woman, is charged with the murder
of a neighbour, whom she shot for
whipping her son. She pleads that
she fired to frighten the other woman
and had no intention of hitting her.
Her counsel is Miss Theresa Dub-
lin, 27 years of age, who objected to
the case being tried before a jury of
women.

"Men are more accustomed to
taking action on serious matters,"
says Miss Dublin, "and generally
take a broader view."

Dr. Macnamara, replying to Com-
mander Bellain (C. U. Maidstone) in
the House of Commons said that
while at the date of the Armistice
the cost of living in respect of food
showed an increase of 129 per cent.
in the United Kingdom, and of 79
per cent. in the United States as com-
pared with July, 1914, the percentage
in the United Kingdom was 149 on
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